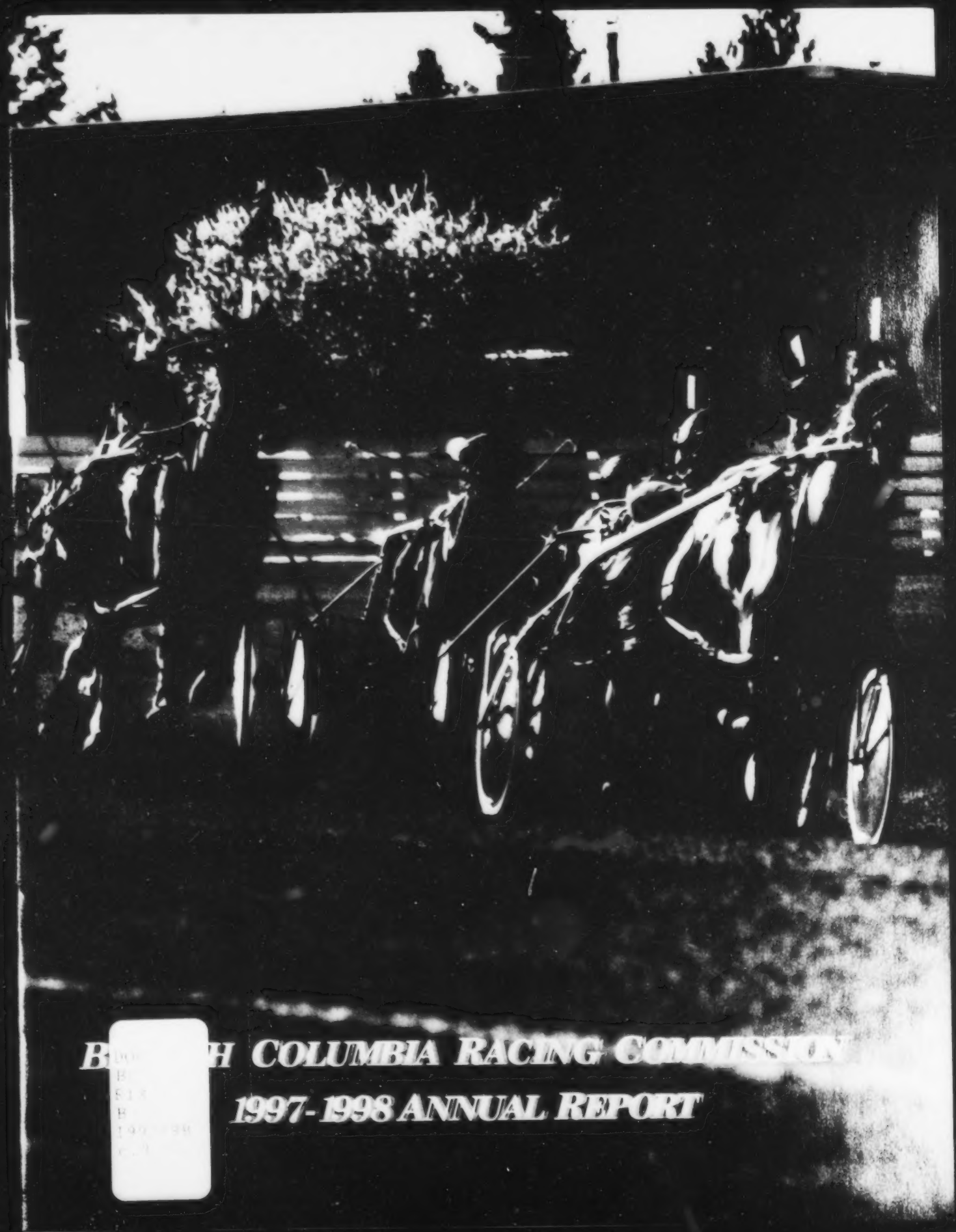

BRITISH COLUMBIA RACING COMMISSION

1997-1998 ANNUAL REPORT

GLOSSARY OF TERMS

LIVE WAGERING - wagering on races occuring at the track at which the patron is present.
INTERTRACK - wagering between tracks within British Columbia.
SIMULCAST - cards or single races, which are brought in from out of the province.
THEATRE - wagering at teletheatre sites across the province.

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The Honourable Mike Farnworth
Ministry of Employment and Investment
and Ministry Responsible for Housing
Province of British Columbia

Dear Mr. Farnworth:

I respectfully submit the 1997-1998 Annual Report of the British Columbia Racing Commission for the period of April 1, 1997 to March 31, 1998.

Included in this report are details of Commission activities, detailed figures for the 1997-1998 horse racing season at Desert Park, Hastings Park, Kin Park, Sagebrush Downs, Sunflower Downs, Sandown Raceway and 1997-1998 figures for Fraser Downs up to May 10, 1998.

Sincerely,

Lorna Romilly

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Chair

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The British Columbia Racing Commission, established in 1960 by the provincial government, governs, directs, controls and regulates horse racing in the province. It ensures a high standard of integrity in Standardbred and Thoroughbred racing, thereby maintaining the betting public's confidence.

The Commission, from its headquarters in Burnaby, oversees horse racing at seven separate race tracks, including:

- Hastings Park Racecourse in Vancouver
- Sandown Raceway in Sidney
- Sunflower Downs in Princeton
- Desert Park in Osoyoos
- Fraser Downs in Surrey
- Kin Park in Vernon
- Sagebrush Downs in Kamloops

The Commission's principal role is to ensure all race meetings are conducted properly and the betting public's interest is protected.

The Commission is, at present, composed of seven part-time, order in council appointees, who are responsible for:

- making decisions relating to the *Horse Racing Act*
- establishing race dates for racing associations
- overseeing medication issues, licensing and fees, teletheatre betting sites, and the distribution of monies from the Horse Racing Improvement Fund.

The Commission also hears appeals of the rulings of judges and stewards against licensees found to be in violation of the *Horse Racing Act*.

The Commission's 18 full-time positions include:

- management - consisting of a director of racing and a secretary-treasurer
- racing officials - including judges, stewards and investigators at each racetrack
- administrative staff - for reconciling wagering, organizing hearings and appeals, maintaining licensing records and recording ownership and placing of horses
- contracted staff - including an accountant, lawyer, veterinarian and stewards for the interior tracks.

In the 1997-1998 fiscal year, the Commission oversaw a total of 2,341 horse racing cards at British Columbia's seven racetracks and 25 teletheatre sites across the province. These included 281 live events and 2,060 simulcast events from locations as diverse as Ontario, Hong Kong, Australia and numerous sites in the United States.

An estimated 836,344 people attended horse racing events at the seven racetracks and wagered a total of more than $226 million - on average, about 80 percent was returned to the betting public. The remainder was distributed as follows:

- $28,402,699 to individual track associations for general operations and purses

- $15,664,519 went to the provincial government, which was further distributed as follows:

  - $3,425,656 to the Horse Racing Improvement Research and Facilities Fund
  - $8,195,574 to the Horse Racing Improvement Fund for awards to owners and breeders, and Commission expenses
  - $4,043,289 to the provincial government's general revenue

- $1,836,134 to the federal government.

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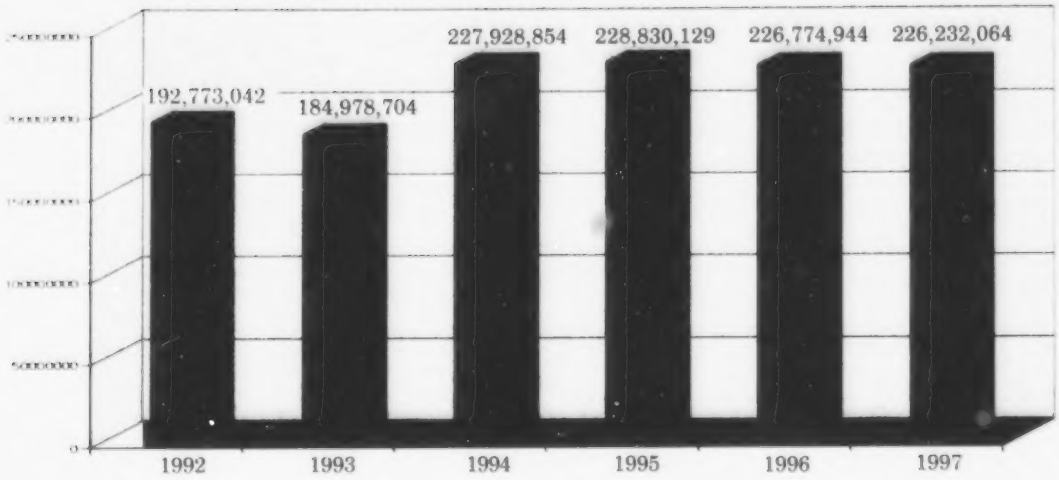

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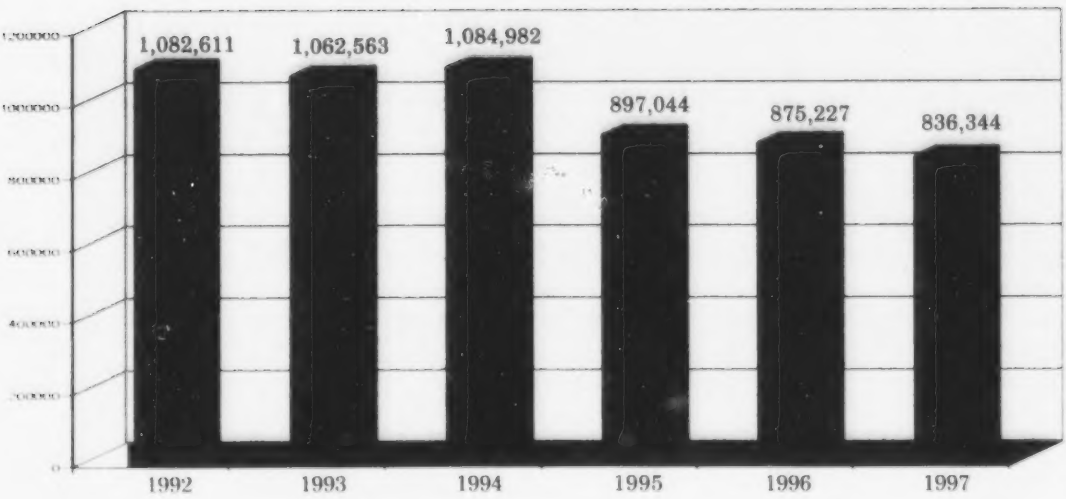

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FRASER DOWNS

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SANDOWN RACEWAY

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Attendance at live horse racing events in British Columbia has declined over the past five years. During this period, wagering has fluctuated at live horse racing events while overall wagering has increased due to the availability of simulcast and teletheatre betting options.

One of the major challenges facing the horse racing industry today is the decline in live attendance at all racetracks. From 1996 to 1997, the total attendance dropped from 875,277 to 836,344. This decline in attendance is similar to other horse racing jurisdictions throughout North America.

Most industry analysts agree that live wagering and attendance have been affected to some degree by the introduction of live teletheatre outlets and by an increasing number of gambling alternatives. Other reasons for the decline include the need for new marketing approaches and changing demographics.

The Commission has addressed some of these concerns by supporting the Thoroughbred and Standardbred sectors to generate more interest in the sport. As a result, these sectors are now developing intensified marketing and promotional programs to increase their profile and patron base.

The Horse Racing Improvement Fund (H.R.I.F.) is administered by the Commission to sustain the quality and activity of the horse racing industry in British Columbia.

The H.R.I.F. provides 3.5 percent of the amount wagered to be allocated to Breeders' Awards, Purse Supplements and Grant Programs and 0.5 percent to the Research and Facilities Fund, as prescribed by the *Horse Racing Tax Act* and the *Horse Racing Tax Act Regulations*. The objectives of the H.R.I.F. are to:

- maintain and improve the quality of horses in British Columbia
- sustain breeder activity and maintain a high standard of quality foal production
- increase sales of British Columbia bred horses to foreign buyers
- ensure that the breeding of high-quality horses in British Columbia is recognized and rewarded.

The Commission has worked with each sector of the industry to develop the H.R.I.F. formulae. The Thoroughbred H.R.I.F. formula (April 1, 1995 to March 31, 1997) was reviewed by a committee representing all Thoroughbred industry participants and it was decided to maintain the current formula to March 31, 1999.

The new Standardbred formula was developed for a five-year period from September 1995 to September 2000 and is currently under review.

The new Standardbred formula was modified to designate a total sum of money for the award programs, rather than setting percentage amounts of the total amount wagered as in previous formulae. In 1997, the formula designated a total of $2,317,500 for the awards program. Due to a reduction in wagering, the formula will revert to set percentage amounts in 1998-1999. Any changes to the formula are made in consultation with industry representatives.

THOROUGHBRED HRIF LIVE SEASON AND TELETHEATRE
April 1 - November 8, 1997

AWARDS & GRANT PROGRAMS	ALLOCATED BY FORMULA	AMOUNT PAID	DIVIDED BY QUALIFYING EARNINGS	CENTS ON DOLLARS EARNED
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Filly & Mare	7.02%	146,199	1,494,571	9.782001¢
B.C. Bred	**35.09%**	**712,516**	**7,522,561**	**9.471732¢**
B.C. Bred - H.B.P.A.	-	18,269		
B.C. Bred Stake	**7.02%**	**245,000**		
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	% OF TOTAL WAGERED			
C.T.H.S. Grant	0.10%	128,883		
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B.C.R.C. Costs	0.56% (up to $935,670)	766,297		
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TOTAL THOROUGHBRED HRIF PROGRAM	1995	1996	1997
Total Amount Awarded	$5,695,509	$5,417,830	$2,317,500*

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General Stakes	165,000	98,000	167,000
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Amendments for 1998/1999 and 1999/2000
(fourth and fifth years of the Standardbred Formula)

The Commission carefully reviewed proposals presented by industry organizations, considered the intent of the five-year formula, and made changes accordingly. The following amendments were approved:

- for the next two years, the Sandown supplement of $100,000 will not be provided, but the Commission will review the total amount allocated to the purse pool on an annual basis
- the fixed costs of the Commission will remain at $775,000 per year
- the Equine Health Research Fund will remain the same as in the current formula, a grant of approximately 0.01 percent of the total wagered will be awarded to the University of Saskatchewan's Equine Health Research Fund (the Standardbred contribution for the 1995 grant was $5,937; the 1996 grant was $6,065)
- a 10 percent increase in the grant for the B.C. Standardbred Breeders' Society, which at present receives 0.1 percent of the total handle. In the next two years it will receive 0.11 percent of the total handle (thus, at 0.11 percent, the 1997 grant of $66,281.07 would increase to $72,909.18)
- the Grass Roots Series, Claiming and Conditioned have been cancelled.

The above-mentioned changes can be illustrated by using a hypothetical total handle of $62 million at Fraser Downs in the following example:

Handle of $62,000,000 generates a total of $2,115,750 to the H.R.I.F.		
Fixed Commission Costs		$775,000
*Equine Health Research Grant @ 0.01%		6,045
*B.C. Breeders' Society Grant @ 0.11%		66,495
Total Costs		$847,540

*this does not include the amount allocated from the wagering at Sandown

Amount Available for Awards		$1,268,210.00
Broodmare Awards	21.06%	267,085.03
B.C. Sire Stakes	32.57%	413,056.00
B.C. Stallion Stakes	7.11%	90,169.73
Sales Stakes	7.79%	98,793.56
General Stakes	11.34%	143,815.01
B.C. Bred and Owned	16.63%	210,903.32
Reserve	3.50%	44,387.35
Total	100.00%	$1,268,210.00

The Research and Facilities Fund gets 0.5 percent from the revenue that goes to the provincial government, as is outlined in the *Horse Racing Tax Act Regulations*.

This fund is used for upgrading facilities, conducting research to further improve racetrack facilities, and for activities designed to increase attendance and revenue.

Capital improvements in 1997 included renovations to Hastings Park Racecourse and Fraser Downs.

Such improvements help increase attendance and wagering, and therefore generate greater revenues for all participants and raise purse earnings for B.C. breeders and owners.

As of August 23, 1995, an additional one percent of teletheatre wagering and two percent of the simulcast wagering was allocated to the Research and Facilities Fund.

THOROUGHBRED SECTOR

All revenue allocated to the Research and Facilities Fund, which was established in 1987, is paid to the Pacific Racing Association. This includes 0.49 percent of all Thoroughbred wagering, one percent from teletheatre and two percent from simulcast wagering.

The Commission retains 0.01 percent of all Thoroughbred wagering in the fund. In 1997-1998 this totalled $16,173.

STANDARDBRED SECTOR

The Research and Facilities Fund for the Standardbred sector receives 0.5 percent from all Standardbred wagering, one percent of teletheatre and two percent from simulcast wagering, for upgrade of facilities and to fund research initiatives to further improve the racetrack.

In 1997-1998, funds were used to update the grandstand by constructing suites and completing a feasibility study on backstretch improvements.

PACIFIC RACING ASSOCIATION

	1995 - 1996	1996 - 1997	1997 - 1998
0.49% of Total Wagered	$818,711	$762,713	$792,469
1% of Teletheatre Wagering	**112,717**	**191,676**	**112,594**
2% of Simulcast Wagering	389,595	725,152	1,508,082
Grant for Satellite Equipment	**140,500**	**0**	**0**
TOTAL	**$1,461,523**	**$1,679,541**	**$2,413,145**

FRASER DOWNS IMPROVEMENTS

	1995 - 1996	1996 - 1997	1997 - 1998
Various Track Improvements	$601,295	$ 0	$ 0
Track Feasibility Study	**0**	**24,996**	**10,132**
5/8 Mile Track Expansion and Renovations	0	1,731,822	61,135
Grandstand Improvements	**0**	**0**	**376,000**
Passing Lane Patent	0	38,000	0
Horse Racing Alliance of B.C.	**0**	**12,500**	**24,000**
Video Graphics Package	0	77,500	0
Lasix Program	**0**	**0**	**34,353**
TOTAL	**$601,295**	**$1,884,818**	**$505,620**

STANDARDBRED RESEARCH & FACILITIES REVENUE

	1995 - 1996	1996 - 1997	1997 - 1998
TOTAL	**$797,868**	**$978,895**	**$1,117,667**

RESEARCH AND FACILITIES FUND

The Research and Facilities Fund gets 0.5 percent from the revenue that goes to the provincial government, as is outlined in the *Horse Racing Tax Act Regulations*.

This fund is used for upgrading facilities, conducting research to further improve racetrack facilities, and for activities designed to increase attendance and revenue.

Capital improvements in 1997 included renovations to Hastings Park Racecourse and Fraser Downs.

Such improvements help increase attendance and wagering, and therefore generate greater revenues for all participants and raise purse earnings for B.C. breeders and owners.

As of August 23, 1995, an additional one percent of teletheatre wagering and two percent of the simulcast wagering was allocated to the Research and Facilities Fund.

THOROUGHBRED SECTOR

All revenue allocated to the Research and Facilities Fund, which was established in 1987, is paid to the Pacific Racing Association. This includes 0.49 percent of all Thoroughbred wagering, one percent from teletheatre and two percent from simulcast wagering.

The Commission retains 0.01 percent of all Thoroughbred wagering in the fund. In 1997-1998 this totalled $16,173.

STANDARDBRED SECTOR

The Research and Facilities Fund for the Standardbred sector receives 0.5 percent from all Standardbred wagering, one percent of teletheatre and two percent from simulcast wagering, for upgrade of facilities and to fund research initiatives to further improve the racetrack.

In 1997-1998, funds were used to update the grandstand by constructing suites and completing a feasibility study on backstretch improvements.

RESEARCH AND FACILITIES PAYMENTS

PACIFIC RACING ASSOCIATION

	1995 - 1996	1996 - 1997	1997 - 1998
0.49% of Total Wagered	$818,711	$762,713	$792,469
1% of Teletheatre Wagering	112,717	191,676	112,594
2% of Simulcast Wagering	389,595	725,152	1,508,082
Grant for Satellite Equipment	140,500	0	0
TOTAL	**$1,461,523**	**$1,679,541**	**$2,413,145**

FRASER DOWNS IMPROVEMENTS

	1995 - 1996	1996 - 1997	1997 - 1998
Various Track Improvements	$601,295	$ 0	$ 0
Track Feasibility Study	0	24,996	10,132
5/8 Mile Track Expansion and Renovations	0	1,731,822	61,135
Grandstand Improvements	0	0	376,000
Passing Lane Patent	0	38,000	0
Horse Racing Alliance of B.C.	0	12,500	24,000
Video Graphics Package	0	77,500	0
Lasix Program	0	0	34,353
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Teletheatres and Simulcasting

In 1997, the Commission regulated activities at the 25 teletheatre sites located in 24 communities throughout the province and approved the expansion of simulcast presentations of racing events from Hong Kong and various North American sites.

These teletheatres carry satellite broadcasts of horse racing events from various locations within the province and elsewhere.

Teletheatres allow local community residents to participate in horse race wagering without having to travel extended distances to attend the live event.

During the 1996 - 1997 season, the British Columbia legislature permitted an increase in the number of approved sites for teletheatre betting locations from 19 to 26.

The 25 sites currently in operation provide the public with the opportunity to watch and wager on races run throughout the province and in other parts of the world.

Teletheatre Betting Locations

Campbell River	The Royal Coachman Inn	Prince Rupert	Coast Prince Rupert Hotel
Chilliwack	Best Western Rainbow Country Inn	Salmon Arm	The Coast Shuswap Lodge
Courtenay	Arbutus Hotel	Sechelt	Gilligan's Pub
Cranbrook	Byng Hotel	Squamish	Chieftain Hotel
Kamloops*	Kamloops Exhibition Association	Terrace	The Coast Inn of the West
Kelowna	Coast Capri Hotel	Trail	Terra Nova Hotel
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Nelson	Lord Nelson Hotel	Victoria	Cherry Bank Hotel
100 Mile House	Lakewood Inn	Victoria	The Tallyho Motor Inn
Penticton	Penticton Inn	Vanderhoof	Grand Trunk Inn
Powell River	The Inn at Westview	Duncan	Southside Inn
Prince George	Simon Fraser Inn	Ladysmith	Ladysmith Inn
		New Hazelton	28 Inn

*Kamloops has been granted a license for the teletheatre under their track license

RACING STATISTICS

HASTINGS PARK RACECOURSE

STATISTICS	1995	1996	1997
Number of Races	1,120	1,095	983
Number of Horses Programmed	8,771	8,546	7,480
Scratches by Veterinarian	78	119	204
Scratches by Stewards	50	24	61
Inquiries	102	76	52
Claims of Foul	32	28	28
Both (Inquiries & Claims of Foul)	17	10	9
Total of Inquiries and Claims of Foul	151	114	89
Changes in Order of Finish	27	14	15
Horses Lame After Races	38	40	46
Horses Destroyed	11	9	12
Tests Taken	2,710	2,610	2,325

FRASER DOWNS

STATISTICS (Including Overlap)	1995	1997	1996
Number of Races	1,001	1,207	1,113
Number of Horses Programmed	7,839	10,284	9,297
Scratches by Veterinarian	230	328	277
Scratches by Judges	103	45	100
Inquiries	53	57	59
Changes in Order of Finish From an Inquiry	19	30	24
Horses Failed to Finish	35	39	41
Horses Placed on Vet List - Post Race	146	148	104
Horses Destroyed	2	0	1
Tests Taken	2,767	2,502	2,513

SANDOWN RACEWAY

STATISTICS	1995	1996	1997
Number of Races	127	194	212
Number of Horses Programmed	958	1,439	1,452
Number of Horses Competed	921	1,360	1,401
Scratches by Veterinarian	32	74	43
Scratches by Judges	5	5	8
Inquiries	10	15	16
Changes in Order of Finish From an Inquiry	4	3	7
Horses Failed to Finish	6	4	5
Horses Placed on Vet List - Post Race	6	19	10
Horses Destroyed	0	0	0
Tests Taken	286	400	478

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Inquiries	102	76	52
Claims of Foul	**32**	**28**	**28**
Both (Inquiries & Claims of Foul)	17	10	9
Total of Inquiries and Claims of Foul	**151**	**114**	**89**
Changes in Order of Finish	27	14	15
Horses Lame After Races	**38**	**40**	**46**
Horses Destroyed	11	9	12
Tests Taken	**2,710**	**2,610**	**2,325**

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Inquiries	53	57	59
Changes in Order of Finish From an Inquiry	**19**	**30**	**24**
Horses Failed to Finish	35	39	41
Horses Placed on Vet List - Post Race	**146**	**148**	**104**
Horses Destroyed	2	0	1
Tests Taken	**2,767**	**2,502**	**2,513**

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Number of Horses Competed	921	1,360	1,401
Scratches by Veterinarian	**32**	**74**	**43**
Scratches by Judges	5	5	8
Inquiries	**10**	**15**	**16**
Changes in Order of Finish From an Inquiry	4	3	7
Horses Failed to Finish	**6**	**4**	**5**
Horses Placed on Vet List - Post Race	6	19	10
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Tests Taken	286	400	478

RACES AT HASTINGS PARK RACECOURSE

	1996	1997
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Non B.C. Bred Horses	307	306
B.C. Bred Horse Finishes:		
First	815	716
Second	820	744
Third	812	739
Fourth	815	723
Fifth	839	728

HORSES BY AGE

	1996	1997
2 Years Old	473	127
3 Years Old	589	337
4 Years Old	358	263
5 Years Old	211	141
6 Years Old	89	87
7 Years Old	53	48
8 Years Old	19	16
9 Years Old	9	5
10 Years Old	8	3
11 Years Old	3	6

NUMBER OF PLACES BY AGE OF HORSE (first to fifth)

	1996	1997
2 Years Old	584	610
3 Years Old	2,164	1,815
4 Years Old	1,322	1,314
5 Years Old	762	563
6 Years Old	378	374
7 Years Old	182	134
8 Years Old	46	81
9 Years Old	22	15
10 Years Old	18	10
11 Years Old	1	1

COMPARATIVE WINNINGS

	1996 BC BRED	1996 NON BC BRED	1997 BC BRED	1997 NON BC BRED
Allowance	$632,100.00	$409,900.00	$519,740.00	$290,260.00
Claiming	3,791,664.50	1,470,135.50	3,322,858.00	1,366,842.00
Maiden Allowance	459,888.00	226,512.00	409,981.00	176,319.00
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Stakes	1,633,850.00	985,950.00	1,782,594.00	805,606.00
Starter Allowance	102,530.00	32,470.00	33,680.00	69,320.00
Sub total	$8,214,194.50	$3,463,205.50	$7,522,561.00	$3,054,239.00
	$11, 677, 400.00		$10, 576, 800.00	

INTERIOR LICENSES

	1996	1997
Owners	212	261
Trainers	96	109
Jockeys	32	37
Veterinarians	2	2
Valets	1	1
Exercise Riders	22	20
TOTAL	365	430

Some licensees have more than one license type. There were 281 individual licensees in 1997.

STANDARDBRED LICENSES

	1996	1997
Owners	650	591
Absentee Owners	6	64
Trainers	232	207
Drivers	105	99
Grooms	210	179
Pari-mutuel Employees	209	281
Veterinarians	7	8
Blacksmiths	11	13
Trade Licenses	8	8
Outriders	3	3
Cafeteria Employees	4	4
Camera Operators	1	7
First Aid Attendants	2	2
Honorary Licenses	1	3
Admissions	6	6
Maintenance	1	2
Security Services	28	23
Veterinary Employees	3	4
Starters	5	5
Occupational	4	4
Patrol Judges	2	2
Sales Licenses	15	9
Test Inspectors	18	20
Truck Drivers	5	4
Track Maintenance	3	3
TOTAL	1,539	1,551

HASTINGS PARK LICENSES

	1996	1997
Owners	2,645	2,842
Absentee Owners	38	140
Trainers	319	348
Assistant Trainers	21	23
Exercise Riders	156	244
Grooms	613	867
Pony Riders	97	113
Jockeys	39	46
Apprentice Jockeys	7	11
Agents	12	23
Jockey Representatives	1	2
Jockey Valets	5	17
Jockey Therapists	1	1
Hot Walkers	132	210
Blacksmiths	48	50
Outriders	7	8
Veterinarians	10	12
Veterinary Employees	2	-
Animal Health Technicians	2	3
Honorary Licenses	65	72
Paddock Judges	1	1
Starters	2	1
Assistant Starters	11	18
Film Patrols	11	11
Camera Operators	11	22
Patrol Judges	1	1
Officials	4	8
Test Inspectors	12	11
Timers	1	1
Track Doctors	1	1
Ambulance Drivers	1	2
Admissions	26	35
Concessions	18	53
Cafeteria Employees	9	25
Versa Foods Employees	111	142
Administration Employees	32	43
Pari-mutuel Employees	185	182
Auto-Tote Employees	7	13
Clockers	4	7
Horsemen's Bookkeepers	1	1
Program Publishers	1	1
Security Services	45	79
Trade Licenses	19	29
Sales Licenses	29	42
Truck Drivers	13	20
Occupational	17	20
Maintenance	27	44
Pacific Racing Association	27	23
TOTAL	4,847	5,868

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STANDARDBRED LICENSES

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Owners	650	591
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Trainers	232	207
Drivers	105	99
Grooms	210	179
Pari-mutuel Employees	209	281
Veterinarians	7	8
Blacksmiths	11	13
Trade Licenses	8	8
Outriders	3	3
Cafeteria Employees	4	4
Camera Operators	1	7
First Aid Attendants	2	2
Honorary Licenses	1	3
Admissions	6	6
Maintenance	1	2
Security Services	28	23
Veterinary Employees	3	4
Starters	5	5
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Assistant Starters	11	18
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Officials	4	8
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Horsemen's Bookkeepers	1	1
Program Publishers	1	1
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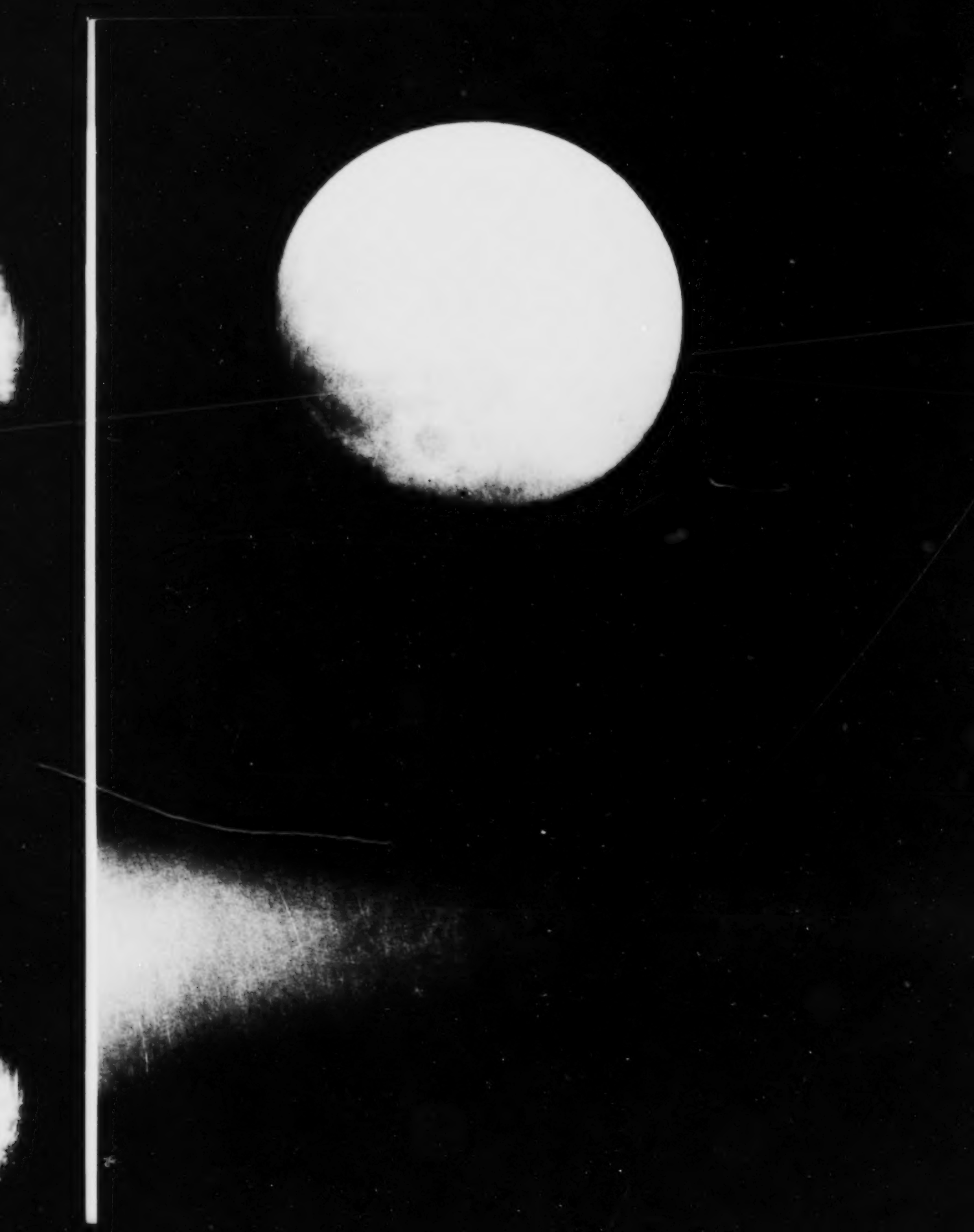

RULINGS AT HASTINGS PARK BY STEWARDS

	1995	1996	1997
Human Drug Suspensions	20	22	11
Human Drug Reinstatements	17	17	9
Alcohol Rulings	2	5	4
Riding Infractions - Days	17	6	19
Riding Infractions - Fines	8	5	9
Galloping Infractions	3	5	8
Trainer Responsibility Rulings:			
Lasix Rulings	18	4	1
Ineligible Horses	13	7	16
Improper Equipment	2	-	-
Possession of Injectables	1	-	-
Improper Horse Transfer	1	-	-
Equine Positive Tests	-	1	2
Late to Paddock	3	3	1
Lasix Horse Suspension (Bleeders)	3	9	11
Improper Scratches	-	2	3
Late to Test Barn	-	-	1
Agent Responsibility	2	-	-
Licensee Behaviour (including smoking in barns, altercations, verbal abuse, security etc.)	35	22	15
Failure to Obtain License in Timely Manner	5	-	12
Horse Disqualified	1	-	-
Licenses Refused/Cancelled	12	11	6
Licenses Amended	-	4	2
Licenses Reinstated	12	11	6
Warnings	1	3	5
Amended or Rescinded Rulings	6	3	-
Protests Denied	1	3	1
Protests Allowed	-	2	-
Suspensions:			
Financial Responsibility	3	1	2
Pending Appearance	12	4	-
Alleged Falsification	10	6	-
Falsification Fine	-	3	-
Failure to Pay Fine	5	3	-
Veterinarian Rulings	-	-	1
Withdrawn Appeals	-	-	3
On Grounds While Suspended	-	-	1
Whip Violations	-	-	16
TOTAL	**213**	**162**	**165**

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Failure to Pay Fine	5	3	-
Veterinarian Rulings	-	-	1
Withdrawn Appeals	-	-	3
On Grounds While Suspended	-	-	1
Whip Violations	-	-	16
TOTAL	213	162	165

RULINGS AT FRASER DOWNS BY JUDGES

	1995	1996	1997
Positive Tests	9	9	1
Interference Violations	22	16	19
Whipping Violations	17	16	45
Fail to Keep a Line in Each Hand	15	5	2
Pylon Violations	5	6	32
Fail to Participate in Post Parade	9	1	2
Starting Violations	9	15	9
Profane Language	6	4	3
Feet Out of Stirrups	6	1	4
Talking in Front of Stands	6	1	2
Human Positive Tests	6	1	2
Acts Detrimental	2	7	1
Slow Fractions	2	4	8
Disobey an Order of the Judges	1	5	4
Fail to Drive When Programmed	1	3	1
Change Equipment	1	1	-
Bicarb Overage	3	-	4
Licensing Violations	5	-	-
Financial Responsibility	2	-	-
Breaking Rule Violations	2	-	1
Wheel Disc Violations	2	-	-
Passing Lane Violations	1	-	3
Withdrawn From "Also Eligible" List	1	-	-
Fail to Pay Fine	-	1	1
Lack of Effort	1	-	-
Breathalizer Overage	1	-	1
Enter Grounds While Suspended	1	-	-
Restored to Good Standing	10	2	6
Kicked Horse	-	-	7
Chin Strap Violations	-	-	10
Late to Paddock	-	-	3
Raced Ineligible Horse	-	-	2
Smoking in Barns	-	-	4
TOTAL	**147**	**101**	**180**

RULINGS AT SANDOWN BY JUDGES

	1995	1996	1997
Positive Tests	1	1	1
Interference Violations	6	3	5
Whipping Violations	1	-	5
Fail to Keep a Line in Each Hand	-	9	-
Kicked Horse	-	1	1
Breathalizer Overage	-	1	1
Starting Violations	1	1	-
Late to Paddock	-	1	-
Slow Fractions	1	3	5
Disobey Order of Judges	1	2	-
Restored to Good Standing	-	1	5
Human Positive Tests	-	-	1
Pylon Violation	-	-	4
Fail to Pay Fine	-	-	7
TOTAL	**11**	**23**	**35**

YEAR	NUMBER OF LIVE RACING DAYS	INTERTRACK EVENTS	TOTAL AMOUNT WAGERED	DAILY AVERAGE BY EVENT	DAILY % CHANGE	DAILY AVERAGE ATTENDANCE	DAILY % CHANGE
1992	13	n/a	$669,364	$51,490	-13.3	996	-10.5
1993	14	n/a	826,150	59,011	+14.6	709	-28.8
1994	13	n/a	579,258	44,558	-24.5	646	-8.9
1995	11	14	472,557	18,902	-57.6	732	+13.3
1996	7	15	360,343	16,379	-13.4	606	-17.2
1997	9	15	229,513	9,563	-41.6	778	+28.4

RULINGS AT FRASER DOWNS BY JUDGES

	1995	1996	1997
Positive Tests	9	9	1
Interference Violations	22	16	19
Whipping Violations	17	16	45
Fail to Keep a Line in Each Hand	15	5	2
Pylon Violations	5	6	32
Fail to Participate in Post Parade	9	1	2
Starting Violations	9	15	9
Profane Language	6	4	3
Feet Out of Stirrups	6	1	4
Talking in Front of Stands	6	1	2
Human Positive Tests	6	1	2
Acts Detrimental	2	7	1
Slow Fractions	2	4	8
Disobey an Order of the Judges	1	5	4
Fail to Drive When Programmed	1	3	1
Change Equipment	1	1	-
Bicarb Overage	3	-	4
Licensing Violations	5	-	-
Financial Responsibility	2	-	-
Breaking Rule Violations	2	-	1
Wheel Disc Violations	2	-	-
Passing Lane Violations	1	-	3
Withdrawn From "Also Eligible" List	1	-	-
Fail to Pay Fine	-	1	1
Lack of Effort	1	-	-
Breathalizer Overage	1	-	1
Enter Grounds While Suspended	1	-	-
Restored to Good Standing	10	2	6
Kicked Horse	-	-	7
Chin Strap Violations	-	-	10
Late to Paddock	-	-	3
Raced Ineligible Horse	-	-	2
Smoking in Barns	-	-	4
TOTAL	**147**	**101**	**180**

RULINGS AT SANDOWN BY JUDGES

	1995	1996	1997
Positive Tests	1	1	1
Interference Violations	6	3	5
Whipping Violations	1	-	5
Fail to Keep a Line in Each Hand	-	9	-
Kicked Horse	-	1	1
Breathalizer Overage	-	1	1
Starting Violations	1	1	-
Late to Paddock	-	1	-
Slow Fractions	1	3	5
Disobey Order of Judges	1	2	-
Restored to Good Standing	-	1	5
Human Positive Tests	-	-	1
Pylon Violation	-	-	4
Fail to Pay Fine	-	-	7
TOTAL	**11**	**23**	**35**

KIN PARK, VERNON
COMPARATIVE STATISTICS 1992 - 1997

YEAR	NUMBER OF LIVE RACING DAYS	INTERTRACK EVENTS	TOTAL AMOUNT WAGERED	DAILY AVERAGE BY EVENT	DAILY % CHANGE	DAILY AVERAGE ATTENDANCE	DAILY % CHANGE
1992	13	n/a	$669,364	$51,490	-13.3	996	-10.5
1993	14	n/a	826,150	59,011	+14.6	709	-28.8
1994	13	n/a	579,258	44,558	-24.5	646	-8.9
1995	11	14	472,557	18,902	-57.6	732	+13.3
1996	7	15	360,343	16,379	-13.4	606	-17.2
1997	9	15	229,513	9,563	-41.6	778	+28.4

HASTINGS PARK RACECOURSE, VANCOUVER
COMPARATIVE STATISTICS 1992 - 1997

YEAR	NUMBER OF LIVE RACING DAYS	SIMULCAST EVENTS	TOTAL EVENTS	YEARLY ATTENDANCE	YEARLY % CHANGE	TOTAL WAGERED
1992	121	n/a	121	710,352	-4.6	$134,668,126
1993	122	n/a	122	695,508	-2.1	129,884,014
1994	123	31	154	783,504	+12.7	159,487,592
1995	122	96	218	668,637	-14.7	169,746,769
1996	122	172	293	597,184	-10.7	159,114,705
1997	116	720	836	638,150	+6.9	165,430,634

YEAR	LIVE WAGERING	YEARLY % CHANGE	TELETHEATRE WAGERING ON BC RACES	TOTAL WAGERED BY EVENT	EVENT % CHANGE
1992	$134,688,126	-3.7	n/a	$1,112,960	-3.1
1993	129,884,014	-3.6	n/a	1,064,623	-4.3
1994	129,294,969	-0.5	$11,031,112	1,035,634	-2.7
1995	112,892,362	-12.7	22,712,681	778,656	-24.8
1996	102,268,370	-9.4	19,632,068	543,053	-30.0
1997	68,224,540	-32.3	19,868,557	197,884	-64.0

YEAR	SIMULCAST WAGERING	DAILY AVERAGE SIMULCAST	DAILY % CHANGE	TELETHEATRE ON SIMULCAST
1992	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a
1993	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a
1994	$19,009,439	$613,208	n/a	$152,072
1995	30,835,060	321,199	-47.6	3,306,666
1996	33,190,127	192,966	-39.9	3,997,140
1997	66,453,237	92,296	-52.1	10,884,300

DESERT PARK, OSOYOOS
COMPARATIVE STATISTICS 1992 - 1997

YEAR	NUMBER OF LIVE RACING DAYS	TELETHEATRE EVENTS	TOTAL WAGERED	DAILY AVERAGE BY EVENT	DAILY % CHANGE	AVERAGE DAILY ATTENDANCE	DAILY % CHANGE
1992	4	n/a	$142,509	$36,627	-3.7	965	+12.0
1993	6	n/a	196,985	32,830	-10.4	716	-25.8
1994	6	0	206,297	34,383	+4.7	966	+34.9
1995	4	11	150,147	10,010	-70.9	796	-17.6
1996	2	8	88,001	8,800	-12.0	800	+0.5
1997	2	0	71,052	35,526	+303.7	863	+7.9

SAGEBRUSH DOWNS, KAMLOOPS
COMPARATIVE STATISTICS 1992 - 1997

YEAR	NUMBER OF LIVE RACING DAYS	INTERTRACK & SIMULCAST EVENTS	TOTAL WAGERED	DAILY AVERAGE BY EVENT	DAILY % CHANGE	DAILY AVERAGE ATTENDANCE	DAILY % CHANGE
1992	18	n/a	$803,754	$44,653	-12.2	915	-17.7
1993	17	n/a	711,123	41,831	-6.3	837	-8.5
1994	18	0	561,230	31,179	-25.4	842	+0.6
1995	11	18	572,134	19,729	-36.7	696	-17.3
1996	9	19	509,358	18,191	-7.8	582	-16.4
1997	10	21	465,498	15,016	-17.5	710	+22.0

SUNFLOWER DOWNS, PRINCETON
COMPARATIVE STATISTICS 1992 - 1997

YEAR	NUMBER OF LIVE RACING DAYS	TELETHEATRE EVENTS	TOTAL WAGERED	DAILY AVERAGE BY EVENT	DAILY % CHANGE	DAILY AVERAGE ATTENDANCE	DAILY % CHANGE
1992	2	n/a	$86,145	$43,072	-4.3	908	-12.9
1993	2	n/a	89,323	44,661	+3.7	947	+4.3
1994	2	0	93,663	46,832	+4.9	994	+4.9
1995	2	2	78,423	19,606	-58.1	770	-22.5
1996	2	0	65,109	32,555	+66.0	867	+12.6
1997	1	0	27,810	27,810	-14.6	806	-7.0

YEAR	NUMBER OF LIVE RACING DAYS	SIMULCAST EVENTS	TOTAL EVENTS	YEARLY ATTENDANCE	YEARLY % CHANGE	TOTAL WAGERED
1992	121	n/a	121	710,352	-4.6	$134,668,126
1993	122	n/a	122	695,508	-2.1	129,884,014
1994	123	31	154	783,504	+12.7	159,487,592
1995	122	96	218	668,637	-14.7	169,746,769
1996	122	172	293	597,184	-10.7	159,114,705
1997	116	720	836	638,150	+6.9	165,430,634

YEAR	LIVE WAGERING	YEARLY % CHANGE	TELETHEATRE WAGERING ON BC RACES	TOTAL WAGERED BY EVENT	EVENT % CHANGE
1992	$134,688,126	-3.7	n/a	$1,112,960	-3.1
1993	129,884,014	-3.6	n/a	1,064,623	-4.3
1994	129,294,969	-0.5	$11,031,112	1,035,634	-2.7
1995	112,892,962	-12.7	22,712,681	778,656	-24.8
1996	102,268,370	-9.4	19,632,068	543,053	-30.0
1997	66,234,540	-32.3	19,868,557	197,564	-64.0

YEAR	SIMULCAST WAGERING	DAILY AVERAGE SIMULCAST	DAILY % CHANGE	TELETHEATRE ON SIMULCAST
1992	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a
1993	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a
1994	$19,009,439	$613,208	n/a	$152,072
1995	30,855,060	321,199	-47.6	3,306,666
1996	33,190,127	192,966	-39.9	3,997,140
1997	66,453,237	92,298	-52.1	10,884,300

YEAR	NUMBER OF LIVE RACING DAYS	TELETHEATRE EVENTS	TOTAL WAGERED	DAILY AVERAGE BY EVENT	DAILY % CHANGE	AVERAGE DAILY ATTENDANCE	DAILY % CHANGE
1992	4	n/a	$142,509	$36,627	-3.7	965	+12.0
1993	6	n/a	196,985	32,830	-10.4	716	-25.8
1994	6	0	206,297	34,383	+4.7	966	+34.9
1995	4	11	150,147	10,010	-70.9	796	-17.6
1996	2	8	88,001	8,800	-12.0	800	+0.5
1997	2	0	71,052	35,526	+303.7	863	+7.9

YEAR	NUMBER OF LIVE RACING DAYS	INTERTRACK & SIMULCAST EVENTS	TOTAL WAGERED	DAILY AVERAGE BY EVENT	DAILY % CHANGE	DAILY AVERAGE ATTENDANCE	DAILY % CHANGE
1992	18	n/a	$803,754	$44,653	-12.2	915	-17.7
1993	17	n/a	711,123	41,831	-6.3	837	-8.5
1994	18	0	561,230	31,179	-25.4	842	+0.6
1995	11	18	572,134	19,729	-36.7	696	-17.3
1996	9	19	509,358	18,191	-7.8	582	-16.4
1997	10	21	485,498	15,016	-17.5	710	+22.0

YEAR	NUMBER OF LIVE RACING DAYS	TELETHEATRE EVENTS	TOTAL WAGERED	DAILY AVERAGE BY EVENT	DAILY % CHANGE	DAILY AVERAGE ATTENDANCE	DAILY % CHANGE
1992	2	n/a	$86,145	$43,072	-4.3	908	-12.9
1993	2	n/a	89,323	44,661	+3.7	947	+4.3
1994	2	0	93,663	46,832	+4.9	994	+4.9
1995	2	2	78,423	19,606	-58.1	770	-22.5
1996	2	0	65,109	32,555	+66.0	867	+12.6
1997	1	0	27,810	27,810	-14.6	806	-7.0

YEAR	NUMBER OF LIVE RACING DAYS	SIMULCAST EVENTS	TOTAL EVENTS	YEARLY ATTENDANCE	LIVE WAGERING & ITW	YEARLY % CHANGE	TELETHEATRE WAGERING ON LIVE RACES
1992/93	131	n/a	131	279,747	$51,998,838	+9.5	n/a
1993/94	131	n/a	131	326,452	49,926,906	-4.0	n/a
1994/95	142	58	200	240,000	43,334,733	-13.2	$15,281,837
1995/96	121	206	327	194,487	26,191,062	-39.6	8,923,865
1996/97	115	300	415	184,453	23,832,844	-9.4	8,952,804
1997/98	119	898	1,017	158,159	17,447,335	-26.8	7,179,742

YEAR	TELETHEATRE ON SIMULCAST	THOROUGHBRED/ STANDARDBRED SIMULCAST WAGERING	DAILY AVERAGE SIMULCAST	DAILY % CHANGE	TOTAL WAGERED	TOTAL WAGERED BY EVENT	EVENT % CHANGE
1992/93	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	$51,998,838	$396,938	-11.4
1993/94	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	49,926,906	381,121	-4.0
1994/95	$1,135,204	$4,681,990	80,724	n/a	64,433,764	322,169	-15.5
1995/96	5,306,075	15,990,283	77,623	-3.8	56,413,285	172,518	-46.4
1996/97	9,193,714	20,074,028	66,913	-13.8	62,053,390	149,526	-13.3
1997/98	12,465,077	18,212,826	20,282	-70.0	55,304,981	54,381	-63.0

YEAR	NUMBER OF LIVE RACING DAYS	INTERTRACK & SIMULCAST EVENTS	TOTAL WAGERED	DAILY AVERAGE BY EVENT	EVENT % CHANGE	DAILY AVERAGE ATTENDANCE	DAILY % CHANGE
1992	38	n/a	$4,404,306	$115,903	+7.5	1,511	-11.7
1993	26	n/a	3,334,203	128,623	+10.9	1,433	-5.1
1994	22	0	2,567,050	116,684	-9.3	1,370	-4.4
1995	12	24	1,396,814	38,800	-66.8	1,124	-18.0
1996	28	199	5,316,646	23,521	-39.4	952	-15.3
1997	24	417	5,518,921	12,503	-47.0	809	-15.0

1994 - 1995

DATE	HASTINGS PARK	FRASER DOWNS	SANDOWN RACEWAY	TELETHEATRE	TOTAL FOR BC	OUT OF PROVINCE	TOTAL
May, 1994	$367,974	$0	$0	$0	$367,974	$0	$367,974
June, 1994	540,739	0	0	0	540,739	103,578	644,317
September, 1994	1,024,155	0	0	0	1,024,155	72,772	1,096,927
October, 1994	2,399,400	0	0	0	2,399,400	145,138	2,544,538
November, 1994	1,982,659	0	0	0	1,982,659	393,850	2,376,509
December, 1994	1,909,152	0	0	0	1,909,152	1,027,634	2,936,786
January, 1995	1,924,348	174,029	27,492	21,749	2,147,618	1,399,787	3,547,405
February, 1995	4,075,944	456,836	83,672	194,530	4,810,982	2,522,482	7,333,464
March, 1995	3,562,319	610,649	120,962	205,735	4,499,665	2,505,698	7,005,363
TOTAL	$17,786,690	$1,241,514	$232,126	$422,014	$19,682,344	$8,170,939	$27,853,283

1995 - 1996

DATE	HASTINGS PARK	FRASER DOWNS	SANDOWN RACEWAY	TELETHEATRE	TOTAL FOR BC	OUT OF PROVINCE	TOTAL
April, 1995	$2,125,870	$0	$59,803	$112,620	$2,298,293	$1,215,401	$3,513,694
May, 1995	2,548,275	74,827	28,517	122,890	2,774,509	1,370,306	4,144,815
June, 1995	719,486	86,755	0	24,559	830,800	625,419	1,456,219
July, 1995	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
August, 1995	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
September, 1995	574,583	0	0	9,177	583,760	282,587	866,347
October, 1995	1,695,197	188,789	29,608	45,997	1,959,591	992,985	2,952,576
November, 1995	1,908,225	255,740	46,659	55,911	2,266,535	1,654,180	3,920,715
December, 1995	2,507,630	389,134	54,870	69,134	3,020,768	2,066,634	5,087,402
January, 1996	2,592,321	506,968	62,937	144,516	3,306,802	2,550,248	5,857,050
February, 1996	3,761,725	602,225	58,664	162,022	4,584,636	3,358,723	7,943,359
March, 1996	2,573,992	566,282	64,846	116,007	3,321,127	2,400,271	5,721,398
TOTAL	$21,007,304	$2,670,720	$405,964	$862,833	$24,946,821	$16,516,754	$41,463,575

YEAR	NUMBER OF LIVE RACING DAYS	SIMULCAST EVENTS	TOTAL EVENTS	YEARLY ATTENDANCE	LIVE WAGERING & ITW	YEARLY % CHANGE	TELETHEATRE WAGERING ON LIVE RACES
1992/93	131	n/a	131	279,747	$51,998,838	+9.5	n/a
1993/94	131	n/a	131	326,452	49,926,906	-4.0	n/a
1994/95	142	58	200	240,000	43,334,733	-13.2	$15,281,837
1995/96	121	206	327	194,487	26,191,062	-39.6	8,923,865
1996/97	115	300	415	184,453	23,832,844	-9.4	8,952,804
1997/98	119	898	1,017	158,159	17,447,335	-26.8	7,179,742

YEAR	TELETHEATRE ON SIMULCAST	THOROUGHBRED/ STANDARDBRED SIMULCAST WAGERING	DAILY AVERAGE SIMULCAST	DAILY % CHANGE	TOTAL WAGERED	TOTAL WAGERED BY EVENT	EVENT % CHANGE
1992/93	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	$51,998,838	$396,938	-11.4
1993/94	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	49,926,906	381,121	-4.0
1994/95	$1,135,204	$4,681,990	80,724	n/a	64,433,764	322,169	-15.5
1995/96	5,308,075	15,990,283	77,623	-3.8	56,413,285	172,518	-46.4
1996/97	9,193,714	20,074,028	66,913	-13.8	62,053,390	149,526	-13.3
1997/98	12,465,077	18,212,826	20,282	-70.0	55,304,981	54,381	-63.0

SANDOWN RACEWAY, SIDNEY
COMPARATIVE STATISTICS 1992 - 1997

YEAR	NUMBER OF LIVE RACING DAYS	INTERTRACK & SIMULCAST EVENTS	TOTAL WAGERED	DAILY AVERAGE BY EVENT	EVENT % CHANGE	DAILY AVERAGE ATTENDANCE	DAILY % CHANGE
1992	38	n/a	$4,404,306	$115,903	+7.5	1,511	-11.7
1993	26	n/a	3,334,203	128,623	+10.9	1,433	-5.1
1994	22	0	2,567,050	116,684	-9.3	1,370	-4.4
1995	12	24	1,396,814	38,800	-66.8	1,124	-18.0
1996	28	199	5,316,646	23,521	-39.4	952	-15.3
1997	24	417	5,513,921	12,503	-47.0	809	-15.0

1994 - 1995

DATE	HASTINGS PARK	FRASER DOWNS	SANDOWN RACEWAY	TELETHEATRE	TOTAL FOR BC	OUT OF PROVINCE	TOTAL
May, 1994	$367,974	$0	$0	$0	$367,974	$0	$367,974
June, 1994	540,739	0	0	0	540,739	103,578	644,317
September, 1994	1,024,155	0	0	0	1,024,155	72,772	1,096,927
October, 1994	2,399,400	0	0	0	2,399,400	145,138	2,544,538
November, 1994	1,982,659	0	0	0	1,982,659	393,850	2,376,509
December, 1994	1,909,152	0	0	0	1,909,152	1,027,634	2,936,786
January, 1995	1,924,348	174,029	27,492	21,749	2,147,618	1,399,787	3,547,405
February, 1995	4,075,944	456,836	83,672	194,530	4,810,982	2,522,482	7,333,464
March, 1995	3,562,319	610,649	120,962	205,735	4,499,665	2,505,698	7,005,363
TOTAL	$17,786,690	$1,241,514	$232,126	$422,014	$19,682,344	$8,170,939	$27,853,283

1995 - 1996

DATE	HASTINGS PARK	FRASER DOWNS	SANDOWN RACEWAY	TELETHEATRE	TOTAL FOR BC	OUT OF PROVINCE	TOTAL
April, 1995	$2,125,870	$0	$59,803	$112,620	$2,298,293	$1,215,401	$3,513,694
May, 1995	2,548,275	74,827	28,517	122,890	2,774,509	1,370,306	4,144,815
June, 1995	719,486	86,755	0	24,559	830,800	625,419	1,456,219
July, 1995	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
August, 1995	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
September, 1995	574,583	0	0	9,177	583,760	282,587	866,347
October, 1995	1,695,197	188,789	29,608	45,997	1,959,591	992,985	2,952,576
November, 1995	1,908,225	255,740	46,659	55,911	2,266,535	1,654,180	3,920,715
December, 1995	2,507,630	389,134	54,870	69,134	3,020,768	2,066,634	5,087,402
January, 1996	2,592,321	506,968	62,997	144,516	3,306,802	2,550,248	5,857,050
February, 1996	3,761,725	602,225	58,664	162,022	4,584,636	3,358,723	7,943,359
March, 1996	2,573,992	566,282	64,846	116,007	3,321,127	2,400,271	5,721,398
TOTAL	$21,007,304	$2,670,720	$405,964	$862,833	$24,946,821	$16,516,754	$41,463,575

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1996 - 1997

DATE	HASTINGS PARK	FRASER DOWNS	SANDOWN RACEWAY	TELETHEATRE	TOTAL FOR BC	OUT OF PROVINCE	TOTAL
April, 1996	$2,292,720	$412,845	$45,503	$115,297	$2,866,365	$2,259,335	$5,125,700
May, 1996	1,958,902	0	33,001	96,347	2,088,250	1,548,839	3,637,089
June, 1996	812,969	0	12,062	40,440	865,471	564,724	1,430,195
July, 1996	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
August, 1996	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
September, 1996	1,142,008	0	18,990	0	1,160,998	604,007	1,765,005
October, 1996	1,823,348	226,665	61,191	0	2,111,204	1,108,861	3,220,065
November, 1996	2,612,045	613,469	84,318	0	3,309,832	2,345,215	5,655,047
December, 1996	2,164,917	379,309	35,245	0	2,579,471	1,894,205	4,473,676
January, 1997	2,261,010	569,904	60,056	0	2,890,970	1,877,728	4,768,698
February, 1997	2,939,768	602,246	66,688	0	3,608,702	2,403,015	6,011,717
March, 1997	2,284,149	448,053	55,887	0	2,788,089	1,831,545	4,619,634
TOTAL	$20,291,836	$3,252,491	$472,942	$252,084	$24,269,352	$16,437,474	$40,706,826

1997 - 1998

DATE	HASTINGS PARK	FRASER DOWNS	SANDOWN RACEWAY	TELETHEATRE	TOTAL FOR BC	OUT OF PROVINCE	TOTAL
April, 1997	$1,950,534	$256,384	$45,069	$0	$2,251,987	$3,177,881	$5,429,868
May, 1997	3,112,682	72,073	60,651	0	3,245,406	5,733,374	8,978,780
June, 1997	1,379,994	0	26,498	0	1,406,492	2,049,222	3,455,714
July, 1997	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
August, 1997	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
September, 1997	1,106,162	0	18,047	56,430	1,180,639	1.207,618	2,388,257
October, 1997	2,083,093	271,888	36,956	133,931	2,525,868	3,241,421	5,767,289
November, 1997	1,938,421	470,019	31,218	153,716	2,593,374	4,767,898	7,361,272
December, 1997	2,010,227	304,550	29,882	155,048	2,499,707	4,392,349	6,892,056
January, 1998	2,664,222	458,076	42,068	171,578	3,335,944	5,933,063	9,269,007
February, 1998	2,111,688	398,477	33,559	129,217	2,672,941	5,338,569	8,011,510
March, 1998	1,941,635	342,290	29,158	114,309	2,427,392	5,193,088	7,620,480
TOTAL	$20,298,658	$2,573,757	$353,106	$914,229	$24,139,750	$41,034,483	$65,174,233

1996 - 1997

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April, 1996	$2,292,720	$412,845	$45,503	$115,297	$2,866,365	$2,259,335	$5,125,700
May, 1996	1,958,902	0	33,001	96,347	2,088,250	1,548,839	3,637,089
June, 1996	812,969	0	12,062	40,440	865,471	564,724	1,430,195
July, 1996	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
August, 1996	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
September, 1996	1,142,008	0	18,990	0	1,160,998	604,007	1,765,005
October, 1996	1,823,348	226,665	61,191	0	2,111,204	1,108,861	3,220,065
November, 1996	2,612,045	613,439	84,318	0	3,309,832	2,345,215	5,655,047
December, 1996	2,164,917	379,309	35,245	0	2,579,471	1,894,205	4,473,676
January, 1997	2,281,010	569,904	60,056	0	2,890,970	1,877,728	4,768,698
February, 1997	2,939,768	602,246	66,688	0	3,608,702	2,403,015	6,011,717
March, 1997	2,284,149	448,053	55,887	0	2,788,089	1,831,545	4,619,634
TOTAL	$20,291,836	$3,252,491	$472,942	$252,084	$24,269,352	$16,437,474	$40,706,826

1997 - 1998

DATE	HASTINGS PARK	FRASER DOWNS	SANDOWN RACEWAY	TELETHEATRE	TOTAL FOR BC	OUT OF PROVINCE	TOTAL
April, 1997	$1,950,534	$256,384	$45,069	$0	$2,251,987	$3,177,881	$5,429,868
May, 1997	3,112,662	72,073	60,651	0	3,245,406	5,733,374	8,978,780
June, 1997	1,379,994	0	26,498	0	1,406,492	2,049,222	3,455,714
July, 1997	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
August, 1997	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
September, 1997	1,106,163	0	18,047	56,430	1,180,639	1,207,618	2,388,257
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